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SUBJECT: TRANSWORLD GAS SYSTEMS REQUEST

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1. PLS INFORM TRANSWORLD THAT OMANGOV HAS AGREEMENT WITH GAZOCEAN FOR JOINT VENTURE SUPPLY AND MARKETING NATURAL GAS WITH POSSIBLE ASSOCIATED AMMONIA/UREA OR FERTILIZER COMPLEX, ESTIMATED VALUE IF PROJECT UNDERTAKEN \$400 MILLION. GAZOCEAN REPORTEDLY STUDYING FEASIBILITY. BRITISH BANK OF MIDDLE EAST AND SOME OTHER SOURCES HERE QUESTION WHETHER PROJECT WILL EVER GET UNDERWAY, DUE TO LIMITED SUPPLY NATURAL GAS IN RELATION TO OTHER GULF PRODUCERS.

2. MEANWHILE, SIMILAR AGREEMENT WITH TESORO FOR LPG FACILITIES HAS FALLEN THROUGH. DISCUSSIONS WITH OTHER (UNNAMED) AMERICAN FIRMS ARE UNDERWAY.

3. SUGGEST TRANSWORLD CONTACT FOLLOWING OFFICIALS:

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